

filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make the protestants parties to the proceeding. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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[Docket No. RP96-114-000]

### Trunkline Gas Company; Notice of Proposed Changes in FERC Gas Tariff

January 18, 1996.

Take notice that on January 11, 1996, Trunkline Gas Company (Trunkline) tendered for filing as part of its FERC Gas Tariff, First Revised Volume No. 1 revised tariff sheets, as listed on Appendix A attached to the filing, proposed to be effective February 8, 1996.

Trunkline states the revised tariff sheets propose a Rate Schedule QNIT and associated conforming revisions to the General Terms and Conditions. Rate Schedule QNIT offers the same characteristics as Trunkline's Quick Notice Transportation under firm Rate Schedule QNT, except that QNIT is interruptible. The scheduling flexibility for firm shippers under Rate Schedule QNT is mirrored for interruptible shippers under Rate Schedule QNIT. Rate Schedule QNIT shippers are permitted to make multiple changes to their nomination within the gas day to be effective on one hour's notice to Trunkline. The sum of the nominated quantities for any gas day may not exceed the MDQ stated in shipper's service agreement. Intra-day nominations will be scheduled when and to the extent that Trunkline determines that it is operationally feasible.

Trunkline states that a copy of this filing is being served on all jurisdictional customers and applicable state regulatory agencies.

Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Sections 385.214 and 385.211 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations. All such motions or protests must be filed as provided in Section 154.210 of the Commission's Regulations. Protests

will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of this filing are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection in the Public Reference Room.

Lois D. Cashell,  
Secretary.

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### Office of Hearings and Appeals

#### Proposed Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

**AGENCY:** Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed implementation of special refund procedures.

**SUMMARY:** The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) of the Department of Energy announces the proposed procedures for disbursement of \$770,280.18 (plus accrued interest) in alleged or adjudicated crude oil overcharges obtained by the DOE from Brio Petroleum, Inc. (Case No. VEF-0017), Merit Petroleum Company (Case No. VEF-0018), Texas American Oil Corp. (Case No. VEF-0019), Transcontinental Energy Corp. (VEF-0020) and Utex Oil Co. (Case No. VEF-0021). The OHA has determined that the funds obtained from these firms, plus accrued interest, will be distributed in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 Fed. Reg. 27899 (August 4, 1986).

**DATE AND ADDRESS:** Comments must be filed in duplicate February 23, 1996, and should be addressed to the Office of Hearings and Appeals, Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0107. All comments should conspicuously display a reference to Case Nos. VEF-0017, *et al.*

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Richard W. Dugan, Associate Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0107, (202) 586-2860.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with 10 C.F.R. 205.282(b), notice is hereby given of the issuance of the Proposed Decision and Order set forth below. The Proposed Decision and Order sets forth the procedures that the DOE has tentatively formulated to

distribute a total of \$770,280.18, plus accrued interest, remitted to the DOE by Brio Petroleum, Inc., Merit Petroleum, Inc., Texas American Oil Corp., Transcontinental Energy Corp., and Utex Oil Co. The DOE is currently holding these funds in interest bearing escrow accounts pending distribution.

The OHA proposes to distribute these funds in accordance with the DOE's Modified Statement of Restitutionary Policy in Crude Oil Cases, 51 FR 27899 (August 4, 1986) (the MSRP). Under the MSRP, crude oil overcharge monies are divided among the federal government, the states, and injured purchasers of refined petroleum products. Refunds to the states will be distributed in proportion to each state's consumption of petroleum products during the price control period. Refunds to eligible purchasers will be based on the volume of petroleum products that they purchased and the extent to which they can demonstrate injury.

Because the June 30, 1995, deadline for crude oil refund applications has passed, we propose not to accept any new applications from purchasers of refined petroleum products for these funds. As we state in the Proposed Decision, any party who has previously submitted a refund application in the crude oil refund proceeding should not file another Application for Refund. The previously filed crude oil application will be deemed filed in all crude oil proceedings as the proceedings are finalized.

Any member of the public may submit written comments regarding the proposed refund procedures. Commenting parties are requested to submit two copies of their comments. Comments should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice in the Federal Register, and should be sent to the address set forth at the beginning of this notice. All comments received in these proceedings will be available for public inspection between the hours of 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except federal holidays, in the Public Reference Room of the Office of Hearings and Appeals, located in Room 1E-234, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20585-0107.

Dated: January 16, 1996.

George B. Breznay,  
Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals.

#### Implementation of Special Refund Procedures

Names of Firms: Brio Petroleum, Inc., Merit Petroleum Company, Texas American Oil Corporation, Transcontinental Energy Corporation, Utex Oil Company.